1st GREAT NEWS FROM THE North of England; BEING A DETECTION OF A LATE Plot, (or Conspiracy:) Against the Present Government.

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A sham thing.

LICENS'D, And Entered according to Order.

HIS Most Sacred Majesty, King **William**, ever since His Accession to the Imperial Crown of these Realms (rightly considering, that Mercy is one of the most splendidst Gems, that truly adorns a Crown) has extended his Clemency even to the greatest of Offenders; Amongst a number of other Instances, particularly to the Officers and Souldiers of the Lord *Dunbarton*'s Regiment, after every Soul of them had forfeited their Lives, by their Notorious *Defect* or rather *Rebellion*, near the Isle of *Ely*; And his Majesties so often recommending to the *Last Parliament*, and his taking Care to have presented to the *Present*, *a Bill of Indemnity*, that, if possible, He would oblige the most Obdurate of his Subjects, to Acts of Loyalty and Obedience; yet, notwithstanding all this Princely Condescension, its too too plain and evident, that there are many *Roman Catholicks*, and other *Jacobites*, so notoriously disaffected to our present happy Constitution, that they are not to be allowed, or drawn by the Chords of Mercy and Clemency; which is plainly demonstrated from their late detected **secret Cabals**, and **Treasonable Conspiracies** in the **North of England**, to disturb the Government in His Majesty's Absence; but let them have a care, least it should befall them, what the Lord Chief Justice *Scrogge* told *Coleman*, *ne Catulus qui dem relinquendus*; for Orders are already gon down to have several taken into Custody.

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Likewise, their almost daily Paper **Plots**, or **Treasonable** Pamphlets, which by their **Factors**, they **secretly dispers**e, to endeavour, if possible, to poyson the Minds of many of His Majesty's **well-meaning** Leige People; for the prevention, in some Measure, of the said **Design** of theirs, I reccommend the Reader to the following Admonitions.

How much *Europe* in general, and this Kingdom in particular, has suffered by the bloody Zeal of Furious and Cruel *Papists*, is known to every man of common Understanding amongst Us; Therefore it behoves Us, of this Nation, to consider our Danger and former Sufferings, and grow so Wise, as not to run the same Hazard again, as we were lately like to be brought into, in the Days of *James* the II; or trust they will prove more kind, than they have been heretofore; We may assure our Selves, if Experience has not taught us to use all means to avoid their Cruelty, it has now taught them, how more effectually to work our Destruction. All the Repentance that ever I heard they have shewn, is, only that they did not more throughly Root out their Adversaries, when they had the Power in their own Hands; and that is all we must look for, if ever God, for our Sins, should suffer Abdicated King *James* to prevail again. For, whatever fair or specious Pretences may be alledged against our present happy Constitution and Settlement, by the *Jacobites*, and other more Slyer Enemies. King *James*'s General *Liberty of Conscience* was but the Guilded Bait to delude us; 'Twas really our *Religion*, our *Estates*, *Liberties*, *Lives* and *Fortunes*, which that **Prince**, and his *Popish Crew* thirsted after; For if ever they should prevail, the *Liberty* they promise us, would end in *Slavery*, the *Wealth* in *Beggary*, and the *Happiness* in *Confusion*. The Horrour of Queen *MARY*'s Days, the fever[illegible] **Bloody Plots** and **Conspiracies** in Queen *Elizabeths*, and King *James* the First, the Massacre in *France*, and the **Rebellion** and Horrid Massacre in *Ireland*, 1641. are not yet blotted out of our Minds; and the late and Inhumane bloody Practices of King *James*, and his bloody *French* and *Irish* Crew, since his Landing *There*, we have daily Instances of almost before our Eyes; neither have we forgot the Unspeakable Miseries and Destructions of our late *Civil Wars*, which were chiefly fomented and stirred up by them.

If therefore the Preservation of our Holy Reform'd *Religion*, our *Estates*, *Lives* and *Fortunes*, the Benefit of our *Posterity*, the true *Peace* of the *Kingdom*, the preventing of *Popery*, *Atheism*, and *Confusion*, and the common Rules of *Justice*, be any Motives to work upon Us, I hope, it will be the Endeavours, and constant Care of all true *English-men*, to keep out *Tyranny* and *Popery*, and heartily maintain the *Religion* and *Government*, which is now established amongst Us.

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